

# UEC MEETING (BNL)

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**Meetings, Communication & Outreach**

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# Open Forum

Mike Sivertz

- 1) Budget:
  - We should ask Derek or Sam or both to comment on budgetary issues as it pertains to running RHIC, personnel, and User support in general.
- 2) HSPD-12
  - Get an update on HSPD-12, one of the rare victories of sanity, perhaps from Tom Schlager or Susan or me (Mike).
- 3) Deemed Export
  - We should ask Mark Sakitt if he would like to say a few words on it.
- 4) What is going on with the new passport regulations; i.e. when are biometrics going to be required on passports?
- 5) Should we do further advertising of the Open Forum for December?

# Outreach

- Abhay Deshpande
- 1) We go out to the public:
- Contact high schools, local libraries and volunteer to show up for 45min+15min presentations for general public. This could be done by experienced speakers, BNL users, BNL employees as well as a set of trained graduate students (DESY uses trained graduate students very effectively).
- We prepare and update the video that was made in 1998 about RHIC science with new things we have learned so far and distribute DVD/CD copies of them free to all high schools and public libraries along with our brochures
- 2) The public comes in (to BNL):
- Enhance the Summer Sunday program with focus on RHIC. Increase the number of high school visits to the science museum on site.
- Contact high schools in tri state area and volunteer a day at RHIC
- science teachers and classes, host (lunch + drinks!) when the visit for the day.
- 3) I have not seen the museum on site. But is it comparable to the one
- at CERN?
- It might be worth enhancing the museum. But most importantly, we may
- seriously consider moving its location to near the main gate, where more people can visit them without restriction. I do appreciate it is a more expensive proposition, but we may have to take that now for a longer term future for the laboratory.

# Workshops

Mike Lisa

- The User's Meeting is scheduled for June 2006. (Mike's comments)
- I think the \*topics\* for a set of Summer 06 workshops would/should be different than last time. And, this newer set would likely be less "traditional" than the '05 set were.
- I liked the process of '05 (solicit interest and "simply" organize), but am quite sure we'd want a new set of topics. Sufficiently new, in fact, that interested parties might be more scarce.
- If \*I\* was to assign topics (which I will not, but might "steer" a bit). There is no (responsible) way of avoiding a significant attention paid to LHC.
- Three workshops:
- 1)  $\text{Multiplicity}[\text{LHC}] = 1.6 * \text{Multiplicity}[\text{RHIC}]$  - soft sector implications and trivial scaling properties
- 2) Beyond Year-1 at LHC - pQCD only? (Point here being that most of the important stuff at LHC is attainable in year 1)
- 3) wherefore RHIC-2 - Physics drivers and also-rans (example of former: charm/gamma-jet; example of latter: flow/gamma HBT)

# ASAP

Carla Vale

- Carla has asked Mark Dierckxsens (current vice-president, and candidate for president) from the ASAP board to speak at the Open Forum in December. The title he gave her is:
- "The Association for Students and Postdocs"
- Carla may wish to tell us something about the status of the ASAP elections.